



**Department of Environmental Quality
Water Bureau
Septage Waste Program Vehicle Inspection Checklist**

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Business Name: _____

Owner Name: _____ County: _____

DEQ License No.: _____ License Plate No.: _____ Make & Year of Vehicle: _____

Decal Number: _____ Decal Expiration Date: _____ VIN No.: _____

Inspection Type

☐ Annual ☐ Reinspection ☐ Complaint ☐ Other _____

	Check list	Yes	No	NA	Comments
1.	Is this a DEQ licensed vehicle, verified by accessing the DEQ Septage Hauler directory on the website at www.michigan.gov/deqseptage ? If not, stop inspection, notify hauler that vehicle cannot be used until properly licensed, and mark "Not in compliance."				
2.	The operator carries a septage waste vehicle license in the vehicle (Sec.11704. [2]).				
3.	Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) matches the one on the DEQ septage waste vehicle license kept in vehicle and the website.				
4.	*The operator has documentation that the vehicle passed the annual Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (Part 396.17, 21) inspection. Weight limit: Over 10,000 lbs.				
5.	*Daily volume records are available.				
6.	The words "licensed septage hauler" and the septage license number are on both sides of the vehicle and in 2-inch lettering or larger (Sec.11707). If not, a reinspection is necessary after correction.				
7.	Is there a current year decal on the vehicle? No old year decals should be on the vehicle and no decals should be on the tank, only on the cab of the vehicle. (Check current year decal number and color on DEQ Septage website listed above.)				
8.	The vehicle and accessory equipment are clean and in good condition. (Sec. 11705).				
9.	Observed noticeable odors or leaks (Sec. 11705).				
10.	The tank holds a vacuum. (Check pressure gauge)				
11.	Sight gauges or other devices are used to measure in gallons what is pumped from a septic tank. Describe the type.				
12.	The capacity of the tank in gallons.				

Action Recommended

☐ In Compliance

☐ Not In Compliance. If not in compliance, complete reinspection information when appropriate.

Other Action (If Applicable)

☐ Reinspection

Reinspection Date: _____

☐ Warning Letter Sent

☐ Referral to DEQ

☐ Complaint

☐ Other _____

Inspector (Print): _____ Signature: _____

Inspector's e-mail address: _____

Health Department: _____ Date of Inspection: _____

In Compliance means that the septage waste vehicle has met the minimum requirements of the law based on the overall assessment of the inspection points stated above. A vehicle "In Compliance" may or may not require reinspection.

Not In Compliance means that the septage waste vehicle has not met the minimum requirements of the law based on the overall assessment of the inspection points stated above. A vehicle "Not In Compliance" shall require reinspection in not more than 60 days from the date of the initial inspection.

± The driver should be able to produce inspection documentation on request. It may be the original or copy of the original inspection form. Inspection details are attached below.

*The volume record shall include the date and volume pumped and where disposed. If disposed on land, vector/pathogen controls and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency certification statement shall be included on the "**Land Application of Domestic Septage Report**" form, EQP 5921.

±Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations

The following information can be found on the annual federal motor carrier inspection report.

Part 396.21 Periodic inspection recordkeeping requirements.

(a) The qualified inspector performing the inspection shall prepare a report which:

(a)(1) Identifies the individual performing the inspection;

(a)(2) Identifies the motor carrier operating the vehicle;

(a)(3) Identifies the date of the inspection;

(a)(4) Identifies the vehicle inspected;

(a)(5) Identifies the vehicle components inspected and describes the results of the inspection, including the identification of those components not meeting the minimum standards set forth in appendix G to this subchapter; and

(a)(6) Certifies the accuracy and completeness of the inspection as complying with all the requirements of this section.

(b) (1) The original or a copy of the inspection report shall be retained by the motor carrier or other entity who is responsible for the inspection for a period of fourteen months from the date of the inspection report. The original or a copy of the inspection report shall be retained where the vehicle is either housed or maintained.

(b)(2) The original or a copy of the inspection report shall be available for inspection upon demand of an authorized Federal, State or local official.

(b)(3) Exception. Where the motor carrier operating the commercial motor vehicles did not perform the commercial motor vehicle's last annual inspection, the motor carrier shall be responsible for obtaining the original or a copy of the last annual inspection report upon demand of an authorized federal, state, or local official.

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For additional information, check the following links:

Federal Site: <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/>

Michigan State Police Site: <http://www.michigan.gov/msp/0,1607,7-123-1564-17161--,00.html>